

**Department of Informatics, King's College London**  
**Pattern Recognition (6CCS3PRE/7CCSMPNN).**  
**Assignment: Support Vector Machines (SVMs)**

The Iris flower data set consists the data of 3 species of Iris (setosa, virginica and versicolor) characterised by 4 features: the length and the width of the sepals and petals in centimetres. The Iris data set (in Matlab format) with file name “iris\_class1\_2\_3\_4D.mat” is available on KEATS. A multi-class SVM-based classifier formed by multiple SVMs is employed to handle the classification problem.

Two 3<sup>rd</sup>-party Matlab SVM toolboxes are recommended to implement the multi-class SVM-based classifier. You can use either one of them for this assignment. Details can be found in Appendix 1.

- a) Write down your 7-digit student ID denoted as  $s_1s_2s_3s_4s_5s_6s_7$ .
- b) Find  $R_1$  which is the remainder of  $\frac{s_1+s_2+s_3+s_4+s_5+s_6+s_7}{4}$ . Table 1 shows the multi-class methods to be used corresponding to the value of  $R_1$  obtained.

$R_1$	Method
0	One against one
1	One against all
2	Binary decision tree
3	Binary coded

Table 1:  $R_1$  and its corresponding multi-class method.

- c) Write a Matlab code to randomly partition the Iris data into 5 equal size sub-data sets  $D_1$  to  $D_5$ , which will be used for 5-fold cross validation. *Hint: A built-in Matlab function **randperm** can help generate random indices for data partitioning. Type “help randperm” for the syntax and details.*
- d) Write a Matlab script to implement the multi-class SVM-based classifier using the  $R_1^{th}$  method. Train and test multi-class SVM-based classifier using 5-fold cross validation. The cross-validation process will repeat the training-testing process 5 times. In the  $i^{th}$  time,  $D_i$  sub-data set is used for testing and the rest sub-data sets (forming a single data set) are be used for training. For example, in the 1<sup>st</sup> time,  $D_1$  is used for testing and  $D_2$ ,  $D_3$ ,  $D_4$  and  $D_5$  forming a single data set is used for training.
- e) Summarise the classification accuracy (in %) in the form of Table 2 for different kernels (linear, polynomial and RBF kernels) and values of  $C$ . Comment on the results.
- Consider the values of  $C$  as 1, 10, and 100.
  - Pick the coefficients of polynomial and RBF kernels of your choice. Use the same coefficients for all values of  $C$ .

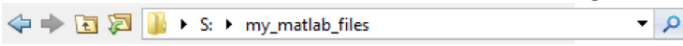
In total, you will have 3 tables in the form of Table 2. Each for a value of  $C$ .

	Linear Kernel		Raaa (k)		Raaa (k)	
Fold	Training Accuracy (%)	Testing Accuracy (%)	Training Accuracy (%)	Testing Accuracy (%)	Training Accuracy (%)	Testing Accuracy (%)
1						
2						
3						
4						
5						
Average Accuracy						

Table 2: Summary accuracy table for linear kernel, polynomial kernel and RBF kernel with a chosen value of  $C$ .

## Appendix 1

### LibSVM:

LibSVM is recommended that if you use **64-bit Windows machines**. It can be downloaded from <http://www.csie.ntu.edu.tw/~cjlin/libsvm/>. First unzip the downloaded zip file and you will find a folder “windows”. Point the current working folder to “windows” in the Matlab command windows using the “current folder toolbar” which looks like . All your Matlab files should be place in the folder “windows”. An example Matlab script using LibSVM can be found on KEATS.

### OSU-SVM

OSU-SVM is recommended that if you use **32-bit Windows machines**, for example, the Matlab in Global Desktop (<https://desktop.kcl.ac.uk/vpn/index.html>). It can be downloaded from <http://svm.sourceforge.net/download.shtml>. First unzip the downloaded zip file and point the current working folder to the unzipped OSU-SVM folder in the Matlab command windows using the “current folder toolbar”. All your Matlab files should be place in the unzipped OSU-SVM folder. An example Matlab script using OSU-SVM can be found on KEATS.